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INFORMATION DISCLOSURE STATEMENT TRANSMITTAL

Dear Sir:

In accordance with Applicants' continued duty of disclosure, the documents on the attached Form PTO/SB/08a are brought to the Examiner's attention. Copies of the non-US-patent documents are enclosed. Per MPEP 609.04(a) III, also enclosed is a copy of the European Search Report in which the documents are cited.

Per 37 CFR 1.97(e)(1), the undersigned hereby certifies that each item of information contained in the information disclosure statement was first cited in any communication from a foreign patent office in a counterpart foreign application not more than three months prior to the filing of the information disclosure statement. Furthermore, per 37 CFR 1.704(d), this communication was not received by any individual designated in 37 CFR 1.56(c) more than thirty days prior to the filing of the information disclosure statement.

The undersigned submits the above-identified references for independent consideration by the Examiner and does not make any admission that these references are or are not material to the

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